**Creativity Tools Activity**

**I. Tour of Creativity Tools**

A. Tour the animation tool and a digital storytelling tool using Voki and Mixbook as examples.

**Voki**

*Voki is a free service that allows you to create personalized speaking avatars. It is a unique tool to engage students in creative expressions. You can customize your Voki to look like you or take on the identity of lots of other types of characters - animals, monsters, anime, etc. Your Voki can speak with your own voice which is added via microphone, upload, or phone, or you may allow Voki to create a voice using your text.*

**Mixbook**

*Mixbook is a website for creating free online photo books that can be embedded into your school blog or website. Choose one of their professional designs or start from scratch. You can move, crop, rotate, pan and zoom on photos; add stickers and backgrounds; and create custom layouts. The possibilities are endless with Mixbook’s powerful and easy editor. Mixbook is integrated with many popular photo sharing sites such as Facebook, Flickr, Picasa, and others, and you can quickly upload your photos from these sites with one click.*

**II. Discussion Activity**

*Options for the Discussion Activity:*

A. Using Wiki Discussion Tabs

If the trainer created a wiki for the workshop, you may use the discussion tab to process the questions below for this activity. You must have an account to post comments. Instructions for signing up for an account are included in the Wikispaces tutorial in the appendix. The discussion tab is at the top of the page. Click on Discussion and click on **+New Post**. Add this question: *How might you integrate these creativity tools in your instruction?* Click on this question, read responses from other participants, and then add your own comment.

B. Using the Google Doc   
You may use the Google Doc used for the Collaboration Activity for responding to this prompt. The trainer should provide an additional table for discussion on the document for creativity. For more information on this discussion option, see the Collaboration section and the Google Docs tutorial.

C. Creativity Prompt for Discussion

*How might you integrate these creativity tools in your instruction?*

Consider the following when answering: **Applications** (using the tools in various grade levels and content areas), **Barriers** (limitations with equipment, time, etc.) and **Cautions** (advice, tips, suggestions, and examples of the tools)